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Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee (PPDC) PRIA Process Improvement Workgroup



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Deputy Director

Statutory Provision

"To the maximum extent practicable consistent with the degrees of risk presented by pesticides and the type of review appropriate to evaluate risks, the Administrator shall identify and evaluate reforms to the pesticide régistration process under this Act with the goal of reducing decision review periods in effect on the effective date of the Pesticide Registration Improvement Act of 2003 for pesticide registration actions for covered pesticide registration applications (including reduced risk applications)."

Topics and Panel Members

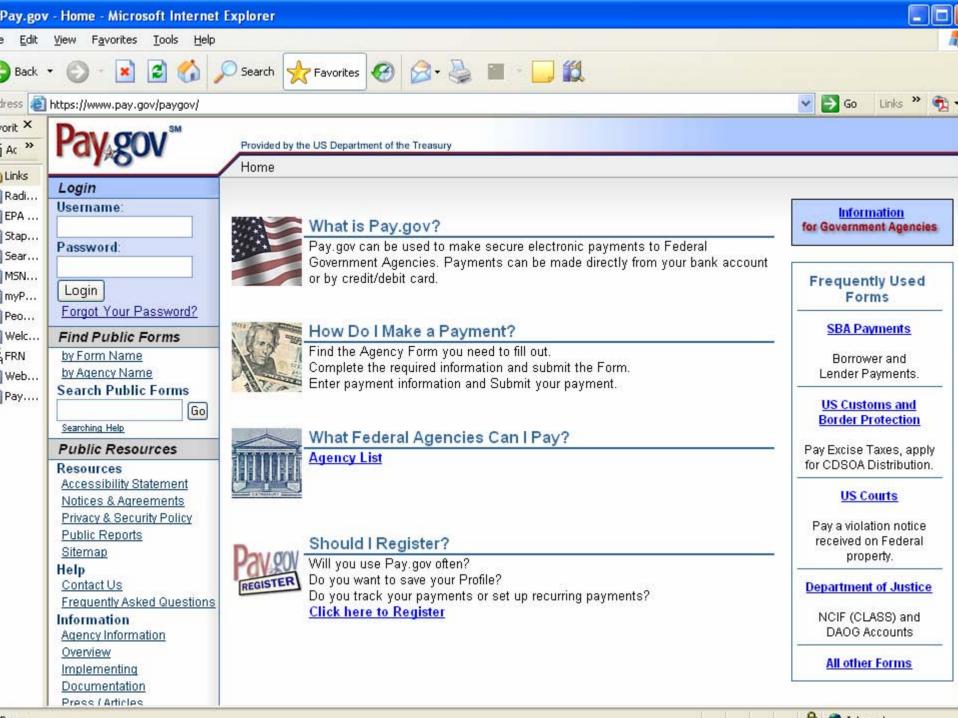
- On-line Payment of PRIA Fees and Electronic Submission – Oscar Morales, Director, Information Technology and Resources Management Division
- Labeling Committee and E-label Review Donald Stubbs, Associate Director, Registration Division and Chair, OPP Labeling Committee
- Inerts Pauline Wagner, Chief, Inerts Assessment Branch, Registration Division
- GIS and Environmental Assessments Michelle (Shelly) Thawley, GIS Coordinator, Environmental Fate and Effects Division

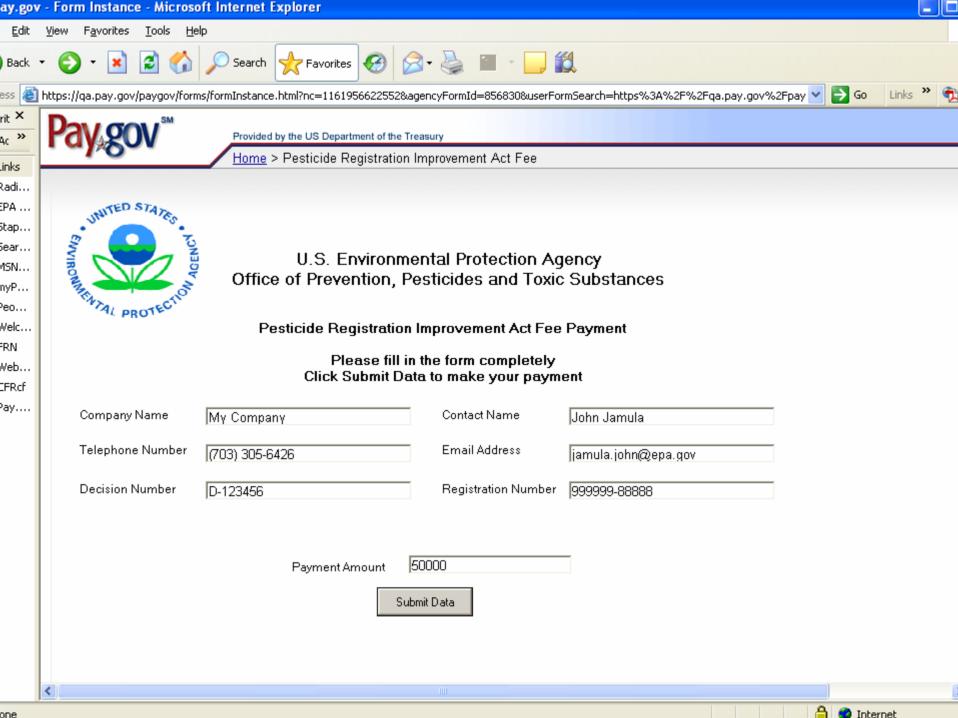
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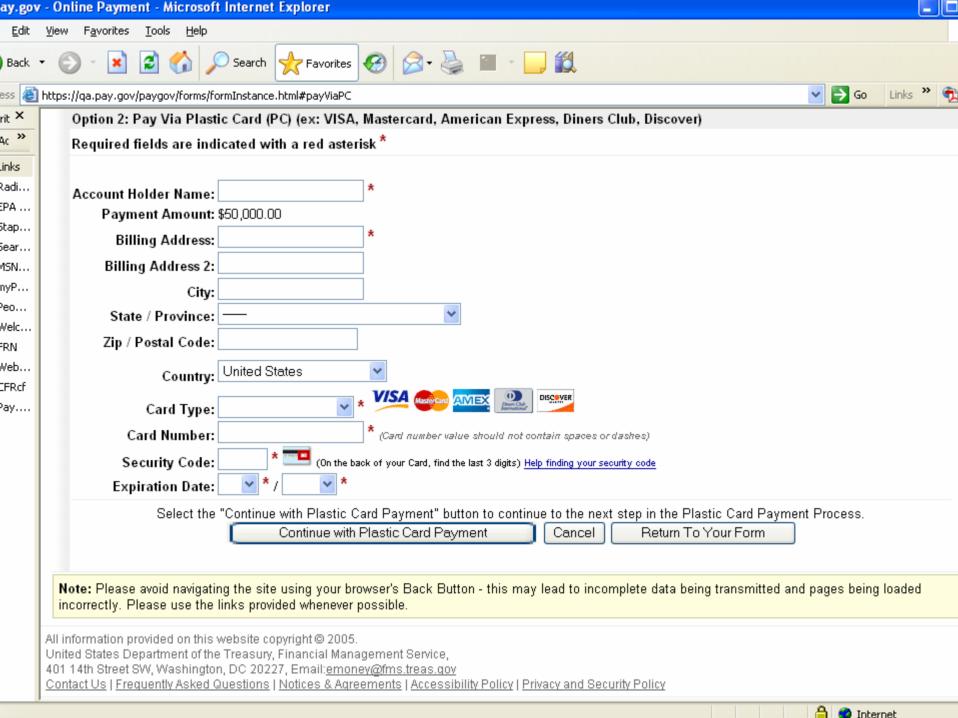
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Pay PRIA Fees On-Line

- PAY.GOV
- Service Provided by the Treasury Dept.
- Free, Reliable, Secure
- Implemented for PRIA on Nov. 1, 2006
- 193 PRIA Payments (35% of Total)
- 55 Companies Have Paid On-Line
- \$705,135 Collected On-Line







e-Submission Goals

- Facilitate submission process
- Improve processing time
- Lessen burden on industry
- Reduce iterations
- Improve data quality
- Harmonize internationally
- Standardize formats



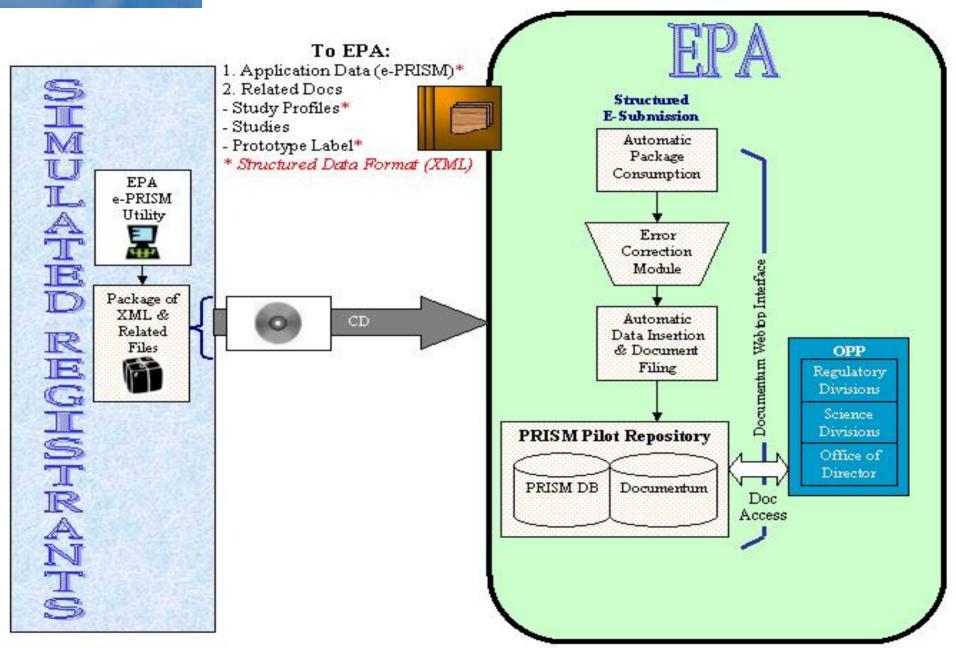
e-Submission Pilot Goals

- Demonstrate that e-Submission can work.
- Establish data exchange standards.
- Begin harmonization with NAFTA and OECD.



- Provide proof-of-concept for e-Submission methodology
- Validate benefits for industry
- Validate harmonization using one schema for multiple agencies
 - PMRA naming conventions are maintained
 - Potential harmonization with the CADDY XML system
- Identify technical issues

e-Submission - Pilot



e-Submission Pilot Technical Approach

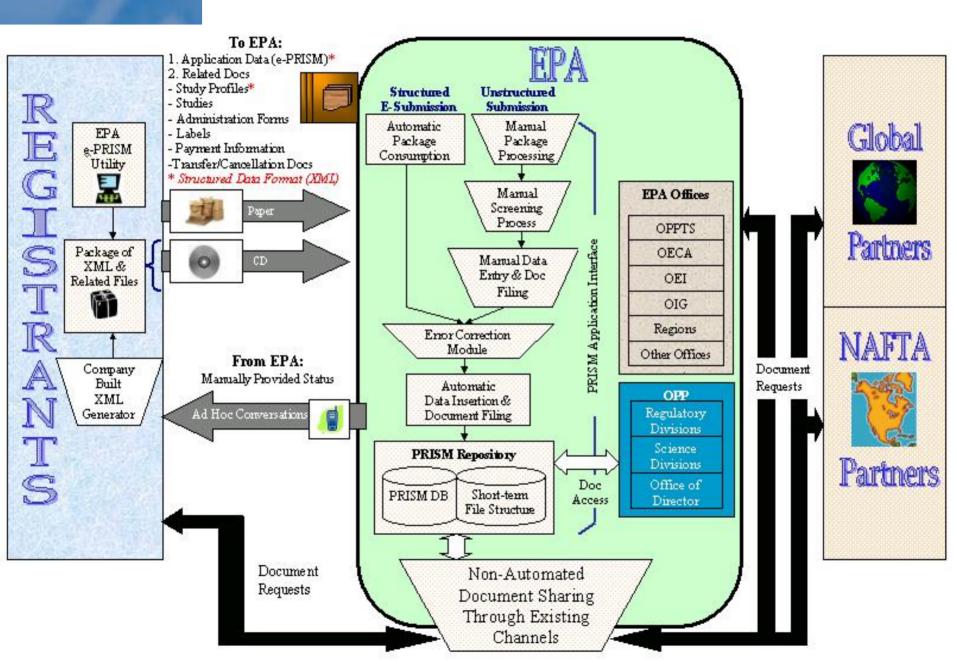
- Provide a Data Dictionary
- Limited types of applications
 - Section 3 registrations
 - EUP
 - Distributor products
- Leverage existing PMRA XML schema
- Submission via CD or DVD
- Error Correction Module



e-Submission Pilot Participants

- BASF
- Bayer Crop Science (Submitted 5/2)
- Syngenta
- Keller & Heckman
- Valent

e-Submission – Vision



OPP Labeling Committee and E-label Review May 2007 Update

Donald Stubbs
Chair
Office of Pesticide Programs
Labeling Committee
April 10, 2007

Charge

- Serve as a clearing house for broad cross-cutting label issues
- Manage a web site devoted to labeling issues
- Revise and keep current the Label Review Manual

Addresses

- E-mail box is available at:OPP_labeling_consistency@epa.gov
- Web page can be found at: http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/regulating/label_review.htm

Questions and Answers

- Received 89 questions as of Mar 30
- Completed 83
- We are working on 6 questions.
- Referred 29 elsewhere in OPP/OECA
- Posted 54 Received

Updating the LRM

- Created subgroup to work on updating the LRM.
- Team is converting LRM from Wordperfect to Word and revising the LRM for straightforward corrections and compliance with current policy
- First three chapters of Revised LRM have been updated and posted.
- Chapters 4,5 and 6 are being reviewed by the label committee

"Contains the same Active ingredient ..."

- Developed guidance paper
 - Can only add by amendment not notification
 - Other guidance deals with
 - Product referenced
 - Placement
 - Disclaimer
 - Font size and type

"Minimum Application Paper"

- Posted in November for comment; received 6 responses to the paper
- Based on review of the comments and our statutes we believe there are times when labeling should have minimum use rates.

"Minimum Application Paper"

- 1. When there is a risk that reduced application of the product may result in increased pest resistance to the active ingredient.
- 2. When there is documentation that a product's efficacy is substantially compromised under a certain application rate.

If the bases for a minimum use rate cannot be documented, the minimum application rate should be stated in advisory language.

Environmental Hazard General Labeling Statements on Outdoor Residential Use Products

- The PPDC Consumer Pesticide labeling Improvement Workgroup presented recommendations to OPP on general environmental hazard labeling for outdoor consumer residential use products.
- OPP will be issuing a PR notice in the near future giving guidance on how to revise labeling for general environmental hazard labeling for outdoor consumer residential use products.

E-label Review

- Label review by comparing labels in PDF using the comparison abilities of Adobe acrobat.
- Agency Staff are currently being trained – full implementation in June, 2007
- Next session how registrants should submit an electronic label will be held May 10 at 2:00 pm
- Registrants encouraged to submitted their labels in PDF format

Process Improvements for Inert Ingredients

Pauline Wagner
Chief
Inerts Assessment Branch
Registration Division

New Front-End Screening Pilot

- All Actions (PRIA and non-PRIA) will be screened by a member of the Inerts Branch
 - For PRIA Submissions
 - After PRIA code is assigned, application package will be screened for proper use of inert ingredients
 - If non-cleared inert ingredient is present, the process will stop and package returned to registrant
 - For non-PRIA Submissions
 - Same process except no PRIA code is assigned

Options when uncleared inert ingredient is present

- Reformulate
- If food use product, petition for exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for the uncleared inert ingredient
- Withdraw

INERT CLEARANCE STATUS FORM DP BARCODE No.: _____ D____; ACTION CODE: 345

Reviewer Name:				Request date:					
Tel: RGO.: IIAB/RD CUBE:				MAIL CODE: 7505P					
COMMENTS:									
PESTICIDE PRODUCT INFORMATION: EPA Reg. No/File Symbol: Date on CSF:				Food-Use Pesticide: [] Yes [] No					
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INGREDIENT INFORMATION:				Tolerance Exemption(s)					
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Fragrance Notification Pilot

- New process for notification of formulation changes that involve only fragrances
- FMA Data base of fragrance components placed on website
- Registrants must certify proposed fragrance change is only change in formulation
- All fragrance components are on FMA database
- Pilot will run for 120 days, starting early May
 - Announcement of pilot is on the Inerts website
 - EPA will evaluate results
 - If successful, will be permanent change in procedure for fragrance changes

The Lists

- Are on Inert website as Lists 1, 2, 3, 4a and 4b and tagged as obsolete
- Mixed food and non-food use inert ingredients
- All reassessed food use inert ingredients are automatically List 4b
- Inerts Branch is beginning to update Lists beginning with List 1
 - Time consuming
 - Must search by product for non-food uses
 - Some set of non-food use inerts are not currently in use
 - Will rescind permission to use these in the future if hazard profile warrants
- Will proceed to List 2, then List 3 and so on until review is complete

GIS and Environmental Assessments

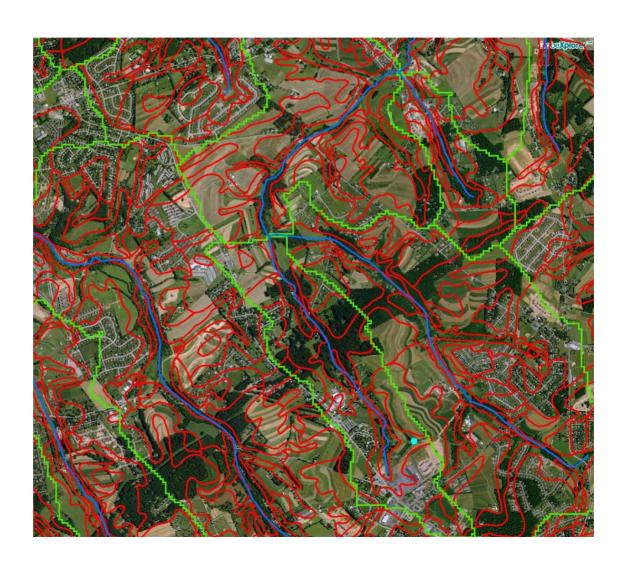
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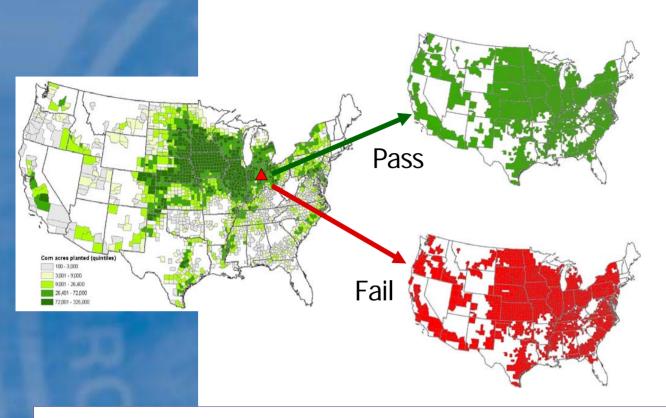
Moving Away From Scenarios...





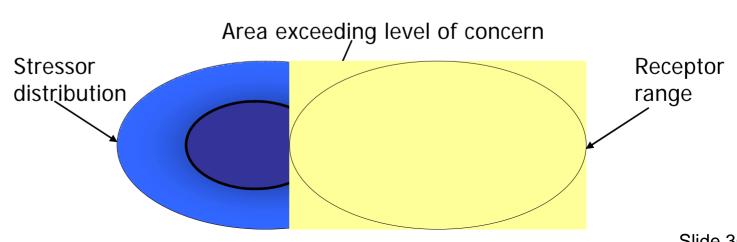
Towards the Spatially Explicit





Adding a spatial component

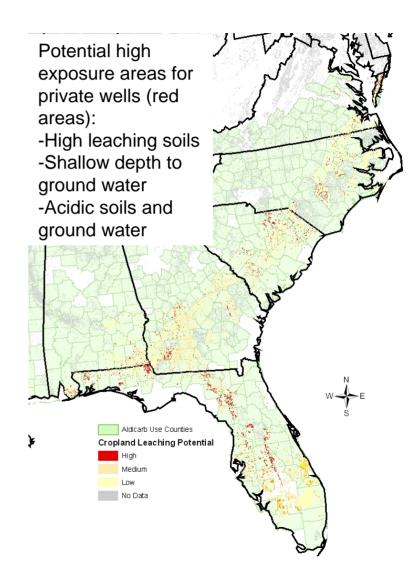
From single scenario screen to spatially-explicit assessment



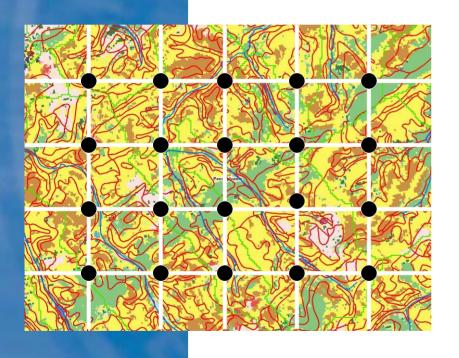
Example: N-methyl carbamate assessment

Extrapolating to broader extent

- Lack of monitoring in other use areas
- Linked monitoring to soil and hydrologic characteristics
- Identified similar soil and hydrologic conditions elsewhere
- Limited by available data (soil, hydrology, land cover, monitoring)



From Spatial Data To Model Input Grid Approach



There are various ways to approach a spatial model adaptation. The proto-type tool will begin with the grid approach:

- A grid is placed over the area of interest
- The resolution of the grid can be modified
- The exposure model is run for each grip point using input values from the specific location
- Results of point locations can be interpolated or summarized to a watershed or waterbody

Update From Nov. '06 Workgroup Mtg.

- Enterprise GIS database to come online Sept. 2007
- Prototype spatial modeling tool in development
- Land Use Data Sets in Development
 - Ex. Urban uses, Turf, Non-ag. Uses
- Design Validation